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This declaration is directed to:

- ☐ The attached application, or
- ☒ Application No. 10/046,377, filed on October 26, 2001.
- ☐ as amended on \_\_\_\_\_ (if applicable);

I/we believe that I/we am/are the original and first inventor(s) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought;

I/we have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified application, including the claims, as amended by any amendment specifically referred to above;

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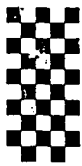
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## ASSIGNMENT OF PATENT APPLICATION

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JOINT

WHEREAS, Susan Matthews Brown of 29753 Canterbury Circle, Evergreen, Colorado, 80439 and Susan Gartner of 17525 West 58<sup>th</sup> Place, Golden, Colorado 80403, hereinafter referred to as "Assignors," are the inventors of the invention described and set forth in the below-identified application for United States Letters Patent:

Title of Invention: INFLATABLE SUPPORT PILLOW AND METHODS

Date(s) of execution of Declaration:

Filing Date: October 26, 2001

Application No.: 10/046,377; and

WHEREAS, The Boppy Company of 602 Park Point Drive, Golden, Colorado, 80401, hereinafter referred to as "ASSIGNEE," is desirous of acquiring an interest in the invention and application and in any U.S. Letters Patent and Registrations which may be granted on the same;

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Assignors further agree that Assignors will, without charge to Assignee, but at Assignee's expense, (a) cooperate with Assignee in the prosecution of U.S. Patent applications and foreign counterparts on the invention and any improvements, (b) execute, verify, acknowledge and deliver all such further papers, including applications and instruments of transfer, and (c) perform such other acts as Assignee lawfully may request to obtain or maintain Letters Patent and Registrations for the invention and improvements in any and all countries, and to vest title thereto in Assignee, or Assignee's successors and assigns.

Assignors hereby authorize and request Townsend and Townsend and Crew LLP, Two Embarcadero Center, 8<sup>th</sup> Floor, San Francisco, CA 94111-3834, to insert herein above the application number and filing date of said application when known.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, Assignors have signed their name on the date indicated.

Dated: 4/8/02  
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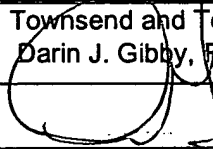
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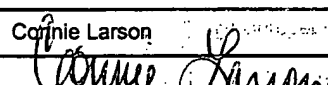
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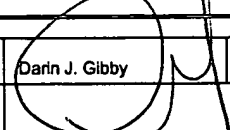
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